



Busbridge CofE Junior School

Newsletter

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Spring Term 2023 No: 3

3rd March 2023

Term Dates 2022/23

Spring 2023	
Mon 6th to Wed 8th March	Sayers Croft Residential—Year 4
Fri 10th March	Class 3B Assembly & Cake Sale after school
Wed 15th March	Winchester Science Museum Visit—Year 5
Thurs 16th March	Bouncing for Busbridge
Fri 17th March	Class 6E Assembly
Wed 22nd March	Parents Evening (4.30pm to 6.30pm)
Thurs 23rd March	Parents Evening (6pm to 8.30pm)
Fri 24th March	Class 4S Assembly
Tues 28th March	Easter Church Services
Thurs 30th March	Music Works Concert (Invite Only)
Fri 31st March	Last Day of Term & Easter Fun on the playground
Summer 2023	
Mon 17th Apr	Inset Day
Tues 18th Apr	Children Return to School & PTA Meeting
Mon 24th Apr	School Photos—Groups & Year 6
Wed 26th to Fri 28th April	Y4 Bikeability
Mon 1st May	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Wed 3rd May	Y4 Trip to Wisley
Fri 5th May	Class 3BF Assembly
Mon 8th May	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Mon 15th & Tues 16th May	Year 3 Feet First Training



It has been a busy start to the second half of the Spring term, with a number of sporting events, One World Week and World Book Day. Next week, our year 4's will be going on their three-day residential trip to Sayers Croft - we can't wait to hear all about it! The Easter holidays will be here before we know it!

We Are One World....

After the half-term break we started off with our One World Week. The children learnt about different countries by taking part in activities such as cooking (even the staff got to try some yummy Anzac biscuits!), dance workshops and sharing assemblies. It was a fun-filled week!

Cake Sale in aid of the earthquake appeal in Turkey and Syria

On Friday 10th March, Miss Syed (mum to Asfiya, 4W) will be holding a cake sale on the playground after school. Proceeds will be donated to the earthquake appeal in Turkey and Syria. If you are able to donate any cakes or biscuits for the sale, please do get in touch with the office team at admin@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk.

Calling all keen gardeners!

If you like a spot of gardening, we are always looking for more parent helpers for our school garden area. You haven't got to make a regular commitment - any ad hoc help would be gratefully received. We would also welcome any leftover seedlings or bulbs you may have! Please get in touch if you can help.

Do you have a spare picnic table?

In a recent survey of our LSA's, we learnt that they would love a staff picnic table to eat at during the summer months—a lovely idea we thought! If anyone has a spare picnic table they would be willing to donate, we would be very grateful.

Godalming Community Store - Donations Box

Did you know that we have a donations box outside the office for the Godalming Community Store? They have reported a drop in donations lately, however the need is still great. Any donations are welcome, however there are some items which are more urgently needed. These are (in priority order): Tinned meat meals, sugar, crisps, tinned veg, kitchen roll, toilet roll, decaf coffee, ready rice (plain and flavoured), creamy tomato pasta sauce and cereal bars. Thank you for your support.

School Meal Prices from 18th April 2023

We have been notified by Twelve15, that from the start of the Summer Term the school meal price will increase from £3.60 to £3.70 per day (a 10p increase). This is due to ongoing exceptional circumstances driving up food and energy prices.



Sports Update

Basketball

On 22nd February, we went to a basketball tournament at Rodborough School. There were two schools, The Chandler and us (Busbridge). It was close, but they won and we came second. Everyone who went tried really hard and had been practicing loads. It was great fun! All of the team were terrific and we're incredibly proud of them! *Humphrey and Oliver H (6E)*.

Year 4 Football Tournament

On Tuesday last week, our Year 4 footballers took part in a tournament at Tillingbourne. Overall it was a good tournament with some challenging competition and great play from our Busbridge footballers: a strong goalkeeper, strong defenders, skillful midfielders and a solid set of attackers! Won 2, Drawn 3, L1. We came 4th overall. *Emilia H (4W)*.

Year 6 Football Tournament

The year 6 footballers went to Tillingbourne on Tuesday for the district Y6 football tournament. They played fabulously in all their games. Having topped their league group going undefeated, they then dispatched Tillingbourne B team in the semi-finals and drew with Tillingbourne A team in the final to take the gold medal jointly. All the boys played extremely well and had a great time, despite the freezing conditions. Thanks to all parents for their support.

SportsHall Athletics

On Wednesday, our sportshall team went to Rodborough to compete in our local competition. When we got there, we found out that we were competing against 5 other teams (which looked tough to beat!). We started racing at 4pm and all the races were very close! Our team was built up of talented year 5's and year 6's, who did very well. As well as lots of races, we had field events which included chest push, standing long jump, soft javelin and many more. The score was very close and there was only 30 points between first place and second place. Our field events had a big impact on whether we won or not. Surprisingly we **WON!!** Next Thursday, at Guildford Spectrum, we will be competing at the county final and we will hopefully keep our title for yet another year! *Clara H & Ella B (6W)*.

Other News

World Book Day

On Thursday 2nd March we celebrated World Book Day. It was fantastic to see the children (and staff!) dressed up and excited about sharing books with others - with Year 3 and 6 buddies reading to each other and Year 5 visiting the infant school. Many children came away thinking about new books they could read and the lessons they could learn from them. It was a great day. A huge thank you to Mrs Buchan for masterminding our BJS day.

Here is a write up from some of our 5GT pupils:

"Year 5 went along to Busbridge Infant School to read a story to the Year 2's. We all enjoyed reading to them and they enjoyed it too. When the infants read their books to us, we were amazed at how well they could read. As well as that, we liked seeing our possible future Y3 buddies."

"It was fun because we got to read to year 2's, as well as listen to them" - *Caitlin C (5GT)*

"It was lots of fun because we got to dress-up or come in comfy clothes" - *Isla B (5GT)*

"It was great fun going back to the Infants school and seeing some of my old teachers" - *Boston-Grey M (5GT)*



Class Assemblies

The next class assemblies will be as follows (9.15am: an invite will be sent nearer the time of each assembly):

Friday 10th March—**Class 3B**

Friday 17th March—**Class 6E**

Friday 24th March—**Class 4S**

Friday 5th May—**Class 3BF**

Friday 9th June—**Class 5S**

Friday 30th June —**Class 6W (*new date)**

Music Works Concert

On Thursday 30th March, we will be treated to a number of songs played by the children who have Music Works instrumental lessons at school. The performance is open to all parents and carers and will start at 9.30am in the school hall. If you would like to attend, please complete the following [Google Form](#) by Friday 24th March 2023. We look forward to seeing you there. If your child is interested in starting lessons with Music Works, you can register them for a free taster session at <https://www.themusicworks.uk/freelesson>

Charterhouse Science for Schools

6E have enjoyed three fabulous trips to Charterhouse science department over the last month. The children engaged in physics, chemistry and biology experiments and were entertained with a Science show from the staff in the final week. The children learned many new things in the wonderfully equipped science lab and had a great time. Thanks to parents for accompanying us and Charterhouse staff for offering this opportunity.

SuperStars Board

Our SuperStars board in the entrance hall is a brilliant way of celebrating out of school achievements, such as competitions, sporting achievements and more. Since the last newsletter, we have added:

- * Edie G (6W), Jess S (6W) and Anna S (4W) - For raising an amazing £71.11 for Ukraine and the work carried out by UNICEF helping Ukrainian refugees in the UK. The girls sold cakes and cookies in Godalming - Brilliant work!
- * Posy (6E) and Erin (5S) - For representing Waverly Harriers at the Sports Hall competition. Both took part in a range of events and took home a medal! Amazing stuff!
- * Carmen (6E), Ella (6W), Lottie (6W), Clara (6W) and Posy (6E) - For taking part in this years Panto - Cinderella at Godalming United Church. Well done girls!

Do email in a photo and a brief outline if your child (or indeed a staff member) would like to feature on our Super Stars board.

Richard Catchpole - Headteacher

School Meals:

The amount for the next half term 20th February 2023 to 31st March 2023.

Year 3 : £78.00

Year 4 : £70.20

Year 5 : £75.40

Year 6 : £78.00

Amount per day: £2.60 Amount per week: £13.00

Please remember to regularly check and top up your school meal accounts. **We would like to remind you that it is Surrey County Council policy that school meals should be paid for in advance. Please remember to top up your account on Arbor regularly.** We prefer you to pay through Arbor but if you wish to pay for school meals by cheque these should be payable to "Surrey County Council".



Busbridge Breakfast & After-school Club (ASC)

Spaces are available in the Breakfast & After-School Club from September 2022. Please contact the Club Manager, Jackie McPhail, to book. Session costs are as follows:

Breakfast Club 7.50am - 8.45am - £5.80

ASC half session 3.30-4.45pm - £7.35

ASC full session 3.30-6.00pm - £14.65

To make a booking please contact Mrs Jackie McPhail on 07432 304562 or by email: club@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk

Our Safeguarding / Child Protection Policy has been updated and can be found on our school website: [Welcome to Busbridge C of E Junior School \(busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk\)](#).